



Ben Porter

20 years, 20 slides (ish), 20 minutes!

Roy Tapping - Manager



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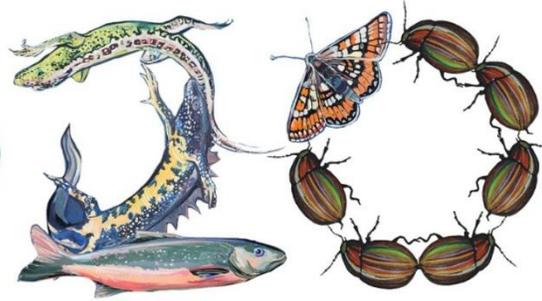
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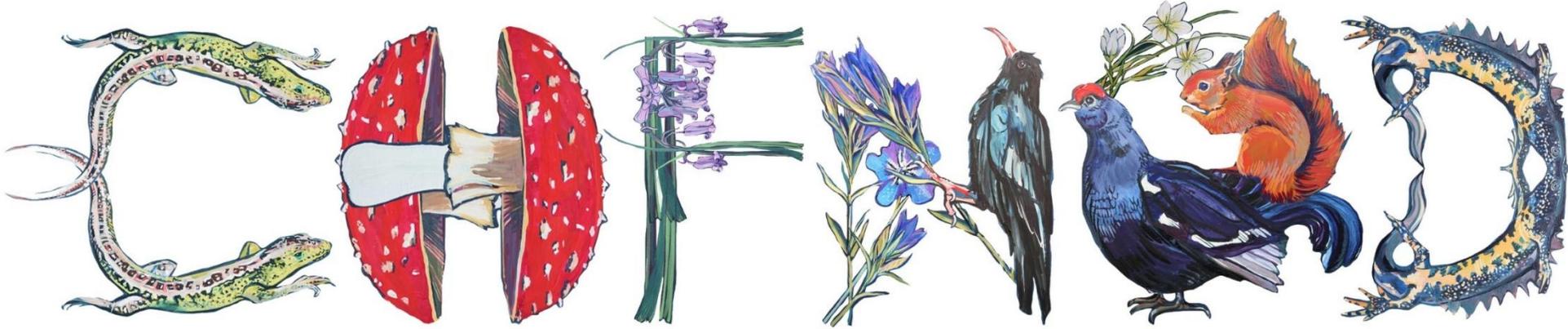
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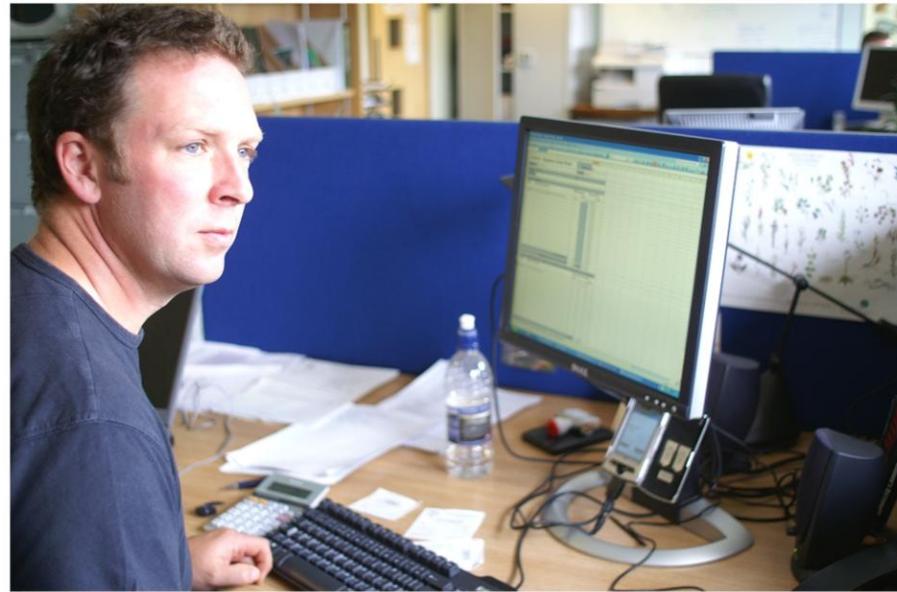
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**North Wales
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**DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR A
NORTH WALES
LOCAL RECORD CENTRE**



Compiled by Mandi Robins BSc MA
on behalf of the NWLRC Development Steering Group
March 2005



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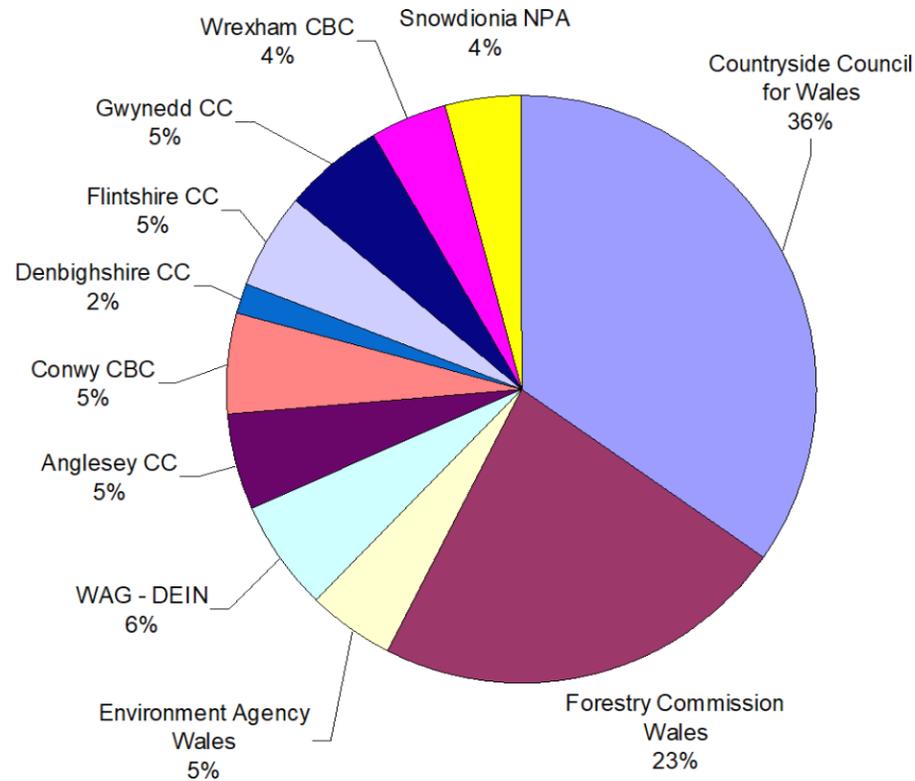
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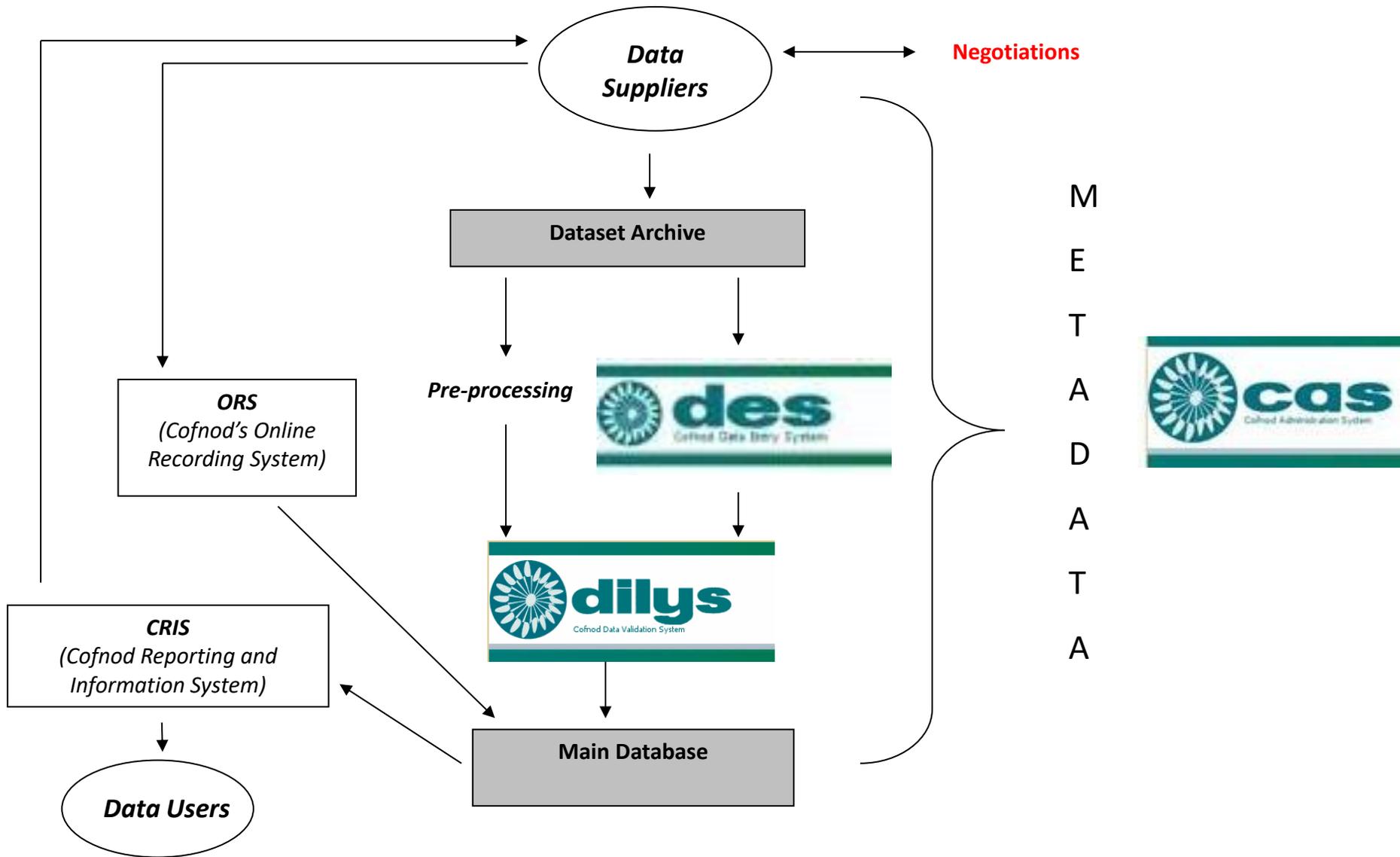
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Cofnod Partnership Funding (March 2004 to March 2007)



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110,000 records **134** datasets

(Dataset 2 of 1007, 1 Modules)

Dataset: D0034 – BONNER, I.R., 2006: "Anglesey (VC52) County Rare Plant Register (Flowering Plants and Ferns)".

Subject ★🌐	Species/Vascular Plants ▾
Title ★🌐	BONNER, I.R., 2006: "Anglesey (VC52) County Rare Plant Register (Flowering Plants and Ferns)".
Dataset Category ★🌐	Category 02: Dataset originates from County Recorder ▾
Metadata File	
Expert Species Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • clubmoss • flowering plant • fern • conifer • quillwort • horsetail
Dataset Status ★🌐	Data Collection Ongoing ▾
Data Update Method ★	New Versions ▾
Abstract	Lists the details of records of nationally and locally rare and scarce plants on Anglesey.
Dataset Owners ★🌐	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Botanical Society of Britain & Ireland (BSBI) • Ian Bonner [401]
Dataset Contact ★	Ian Bonner [401] ▾
Contact Data Holder?	No ▾
Geographic Coverage ★🌐	Vice-County: Anglesey (Vice-County 52) ▾



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Enquiries

E00001

Record 1 of 4583

Enquiry Type Chargeable ▾
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 Receipt Method Email ▾

Contacts

Receipt Contact

Melissa Turner [788] ▾

Receipt Address

[White Young Green Environmental](#) ▾
 Brigantine House
 27-31 Cumberland Street
 Bristol
[BS2 8NL](#)

Enquiry Notes

Data Users Rachel Holmes
 Nancy Davies
 Melissa Turner

Customer Reference

Purchase Order Number

Our Ref.	Client	Date Run	Your Ref.
E00001	White Young Green Environmental	04/05/2007	17/4/07
Site Name		Grid Reference	Search Buffer
Friog		SH601112	4000m

Category 1 Species (Species with International or UK Legal Protection, Section 42 [NERC] Species & UK BAP Priority Species) - 6 records

Distance (m)	Taxon Name	Grid Reference	Date	Recorder(s)	Abundance	Record Type	Site Name	Comments	Further Comments	Dataset ID	Lists
1278	Chiroptera (<i>Bats</i>)	SH611120	16/12/2002	Alison Johnston		Bat Roost	Friog Cave			D1055/001/01	Bonn, HDir, WCAS
1278	Rhinolophus hipposideros (<i>Lesser Horseshoe Bat</i>)	SH611120	16/12/2002	Alison Johnston		Bat Roost	Friog Cave			D1055/001/01	UKBAP, WCAS, S42, R1, HDir, Bonn
2263	Chiroptera (<i>Bats</i>)			Jean Matthews		Bat	St. Cyran's			D1055/001/01	Bonn, HDir, WCAS
639	Lepus europaeus (<i>Brown Hare</i>)									D0078/001/01	UKBAP, S42
805	Lepus europaeus (<i>Brown Hare</i>)							Gwastadgoed		D0078/001/01	UKBAP, S42
827	Lutra lutra (<i>Otter</i>)							Positive coastal site from DOP survey		D0078/001/01	UKBAP, WCAS, S42, CITES, HDir

15 records

Category 2 Species (Red Data Book, Nationally Scarce and Bonn Convention species, where these are not included in Category 1) - 4 records

Distance (m)	Taxon Name	Grid Reference	Date	Recorder(s)	Abundance	Record Type	Site Name	Comments	Further Comments	Dataset ID	Lists
1598	Sphagnum subsecundum (<i>Sphagnum subsecundum</i>)	SH617111 (<i>original</i>)	07/01/1993	Rod Gritten			Tydfarch, Llywngwrl.			D0106/001/02	R2
1834	Sphagnum auriculatum var. auriculatum (<i>Sphagnum auriculatum</i> var. <i>auriculatum</i>)	SH618119 (<i>Estimated from Map</i>)	13/11/2003	Rod Gritten	1		Bryn Meurig, Friog, Arthog. Subsite 2 - Bryn Meurig, Friog, Arthog.	Ditch at SH618119. Rich wetland not to be ditched.		D0106/001/02	R2
223	Sphagnum auriculatum (<i>Sphagnum auriculatum</i>)	SH600110 (<i>original</i>)	13/03/1997	Rod Gritten			Pont Caletwr, Llywngwrl			D0106/001/02	R2
2556	Idaea contiguaris subsp. britanniae (<i>Weaver's Wave</i>)	SH621128	02/07/1989	R.S.P.B.	1		Tan y Garth			D0068/001/01	NSa



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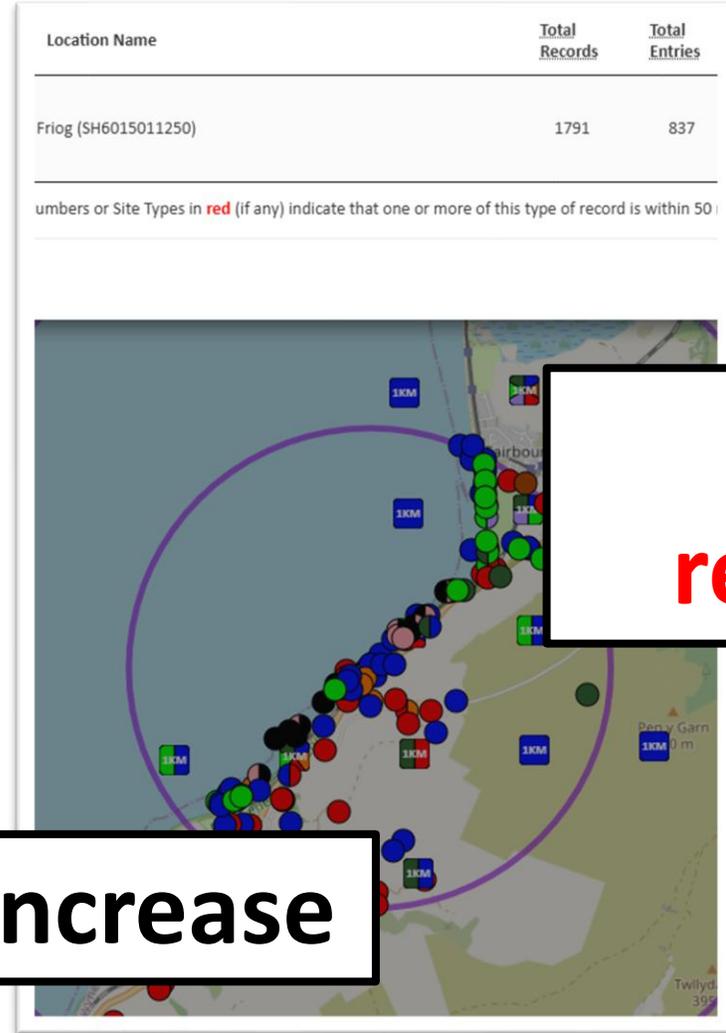
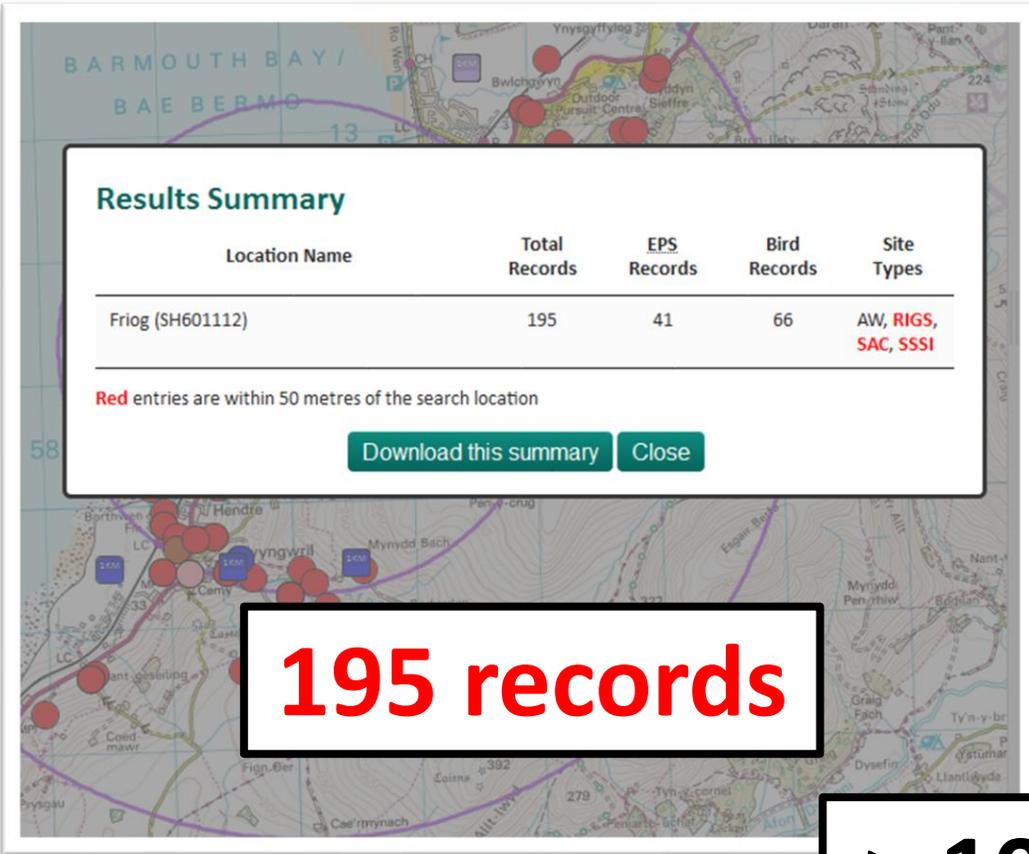
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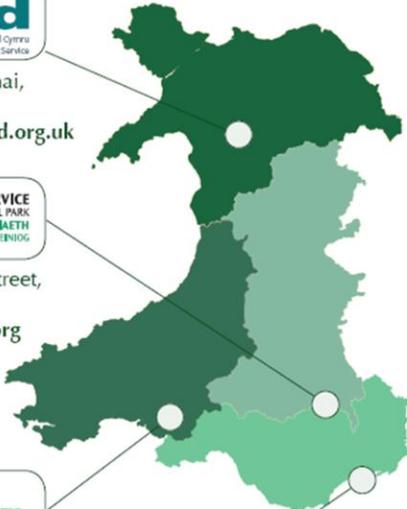
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Welcome back Roy Log Out Cymraeg



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Welcome to Cofnod - the Local Records Centre for North Wales

Bringing together wildlife data across North Wales

Share a Wildlife Record



Observe, Record and Share records using our Online Recording System.

Our intuitive system makes it easy to share your records with us and your [local expert](#)

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Dates for your Diary



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Observe, Record and Share records using our Online Recording System.

Enter Record Label as: [No Label] Manage Labels

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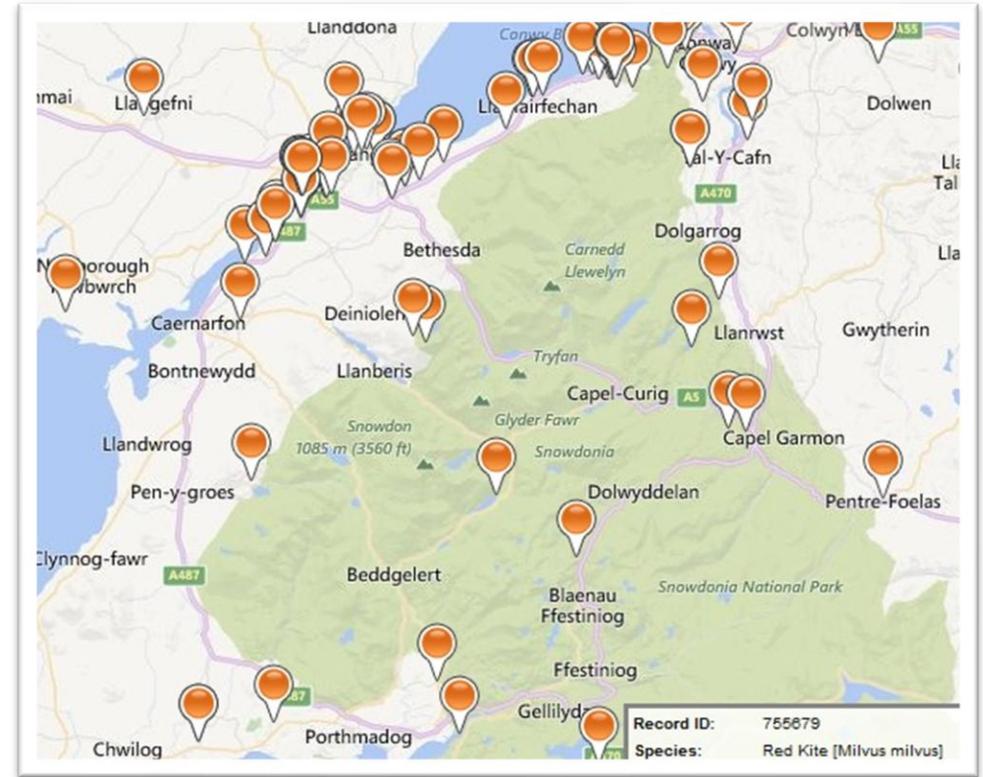
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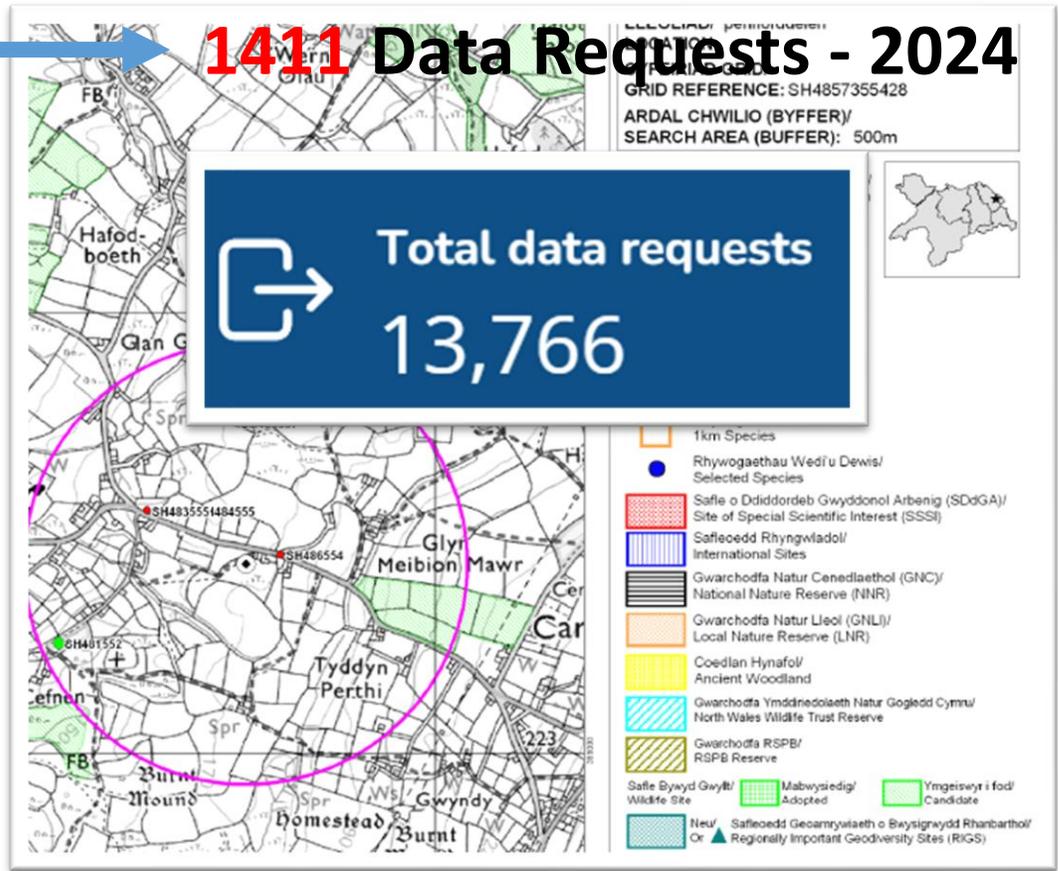
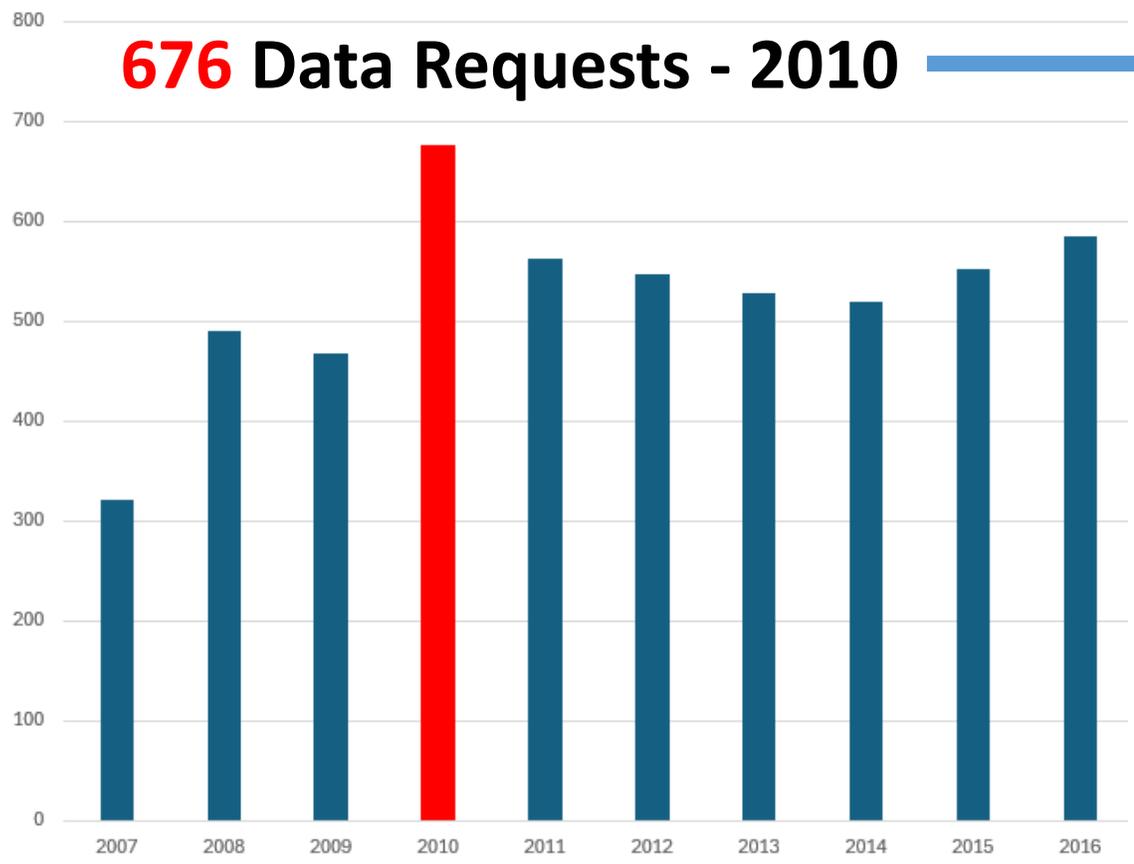
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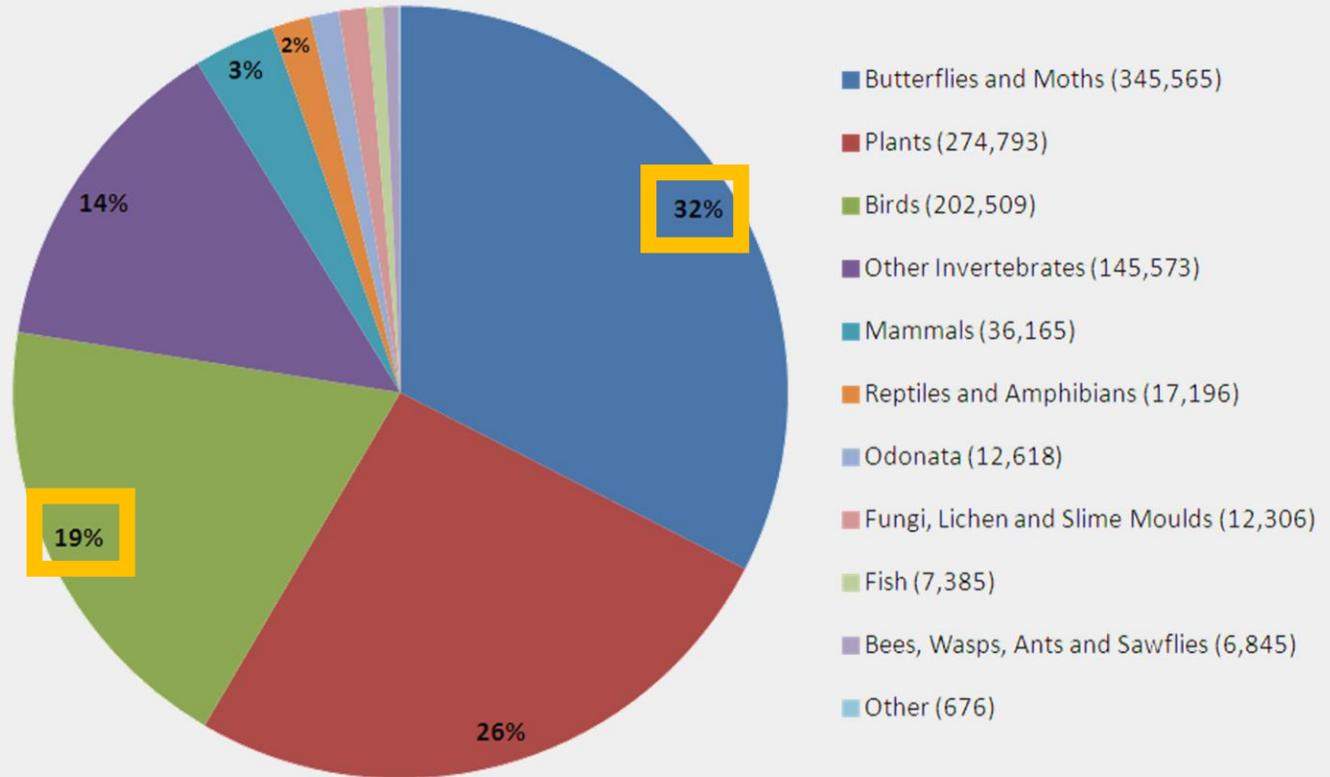
Data We Hold

1,061,631

species records and counting

Most Recent Datasets:

- » Miscellaneous species records collected by Lizzy Webster. (Records from 2011) **NEW!**
- » Miscellaneous species records collected by Lizzy Webster. (Bird records (2008)) **NEW!**
- » Miscellaneous species records collected by ERAP Ltd as part of various contracts. (Great Crested Newt records from a 2009 survey at Ewloe) **NEW!**
- » This dataset contains incidental bird records submitted to the BTO's online recording system, BirdTrack. Records are from a number of different areas within North Wales and have been passed to us by relevant County Recorders. (2004 to 2009 data for V) **NEW!**



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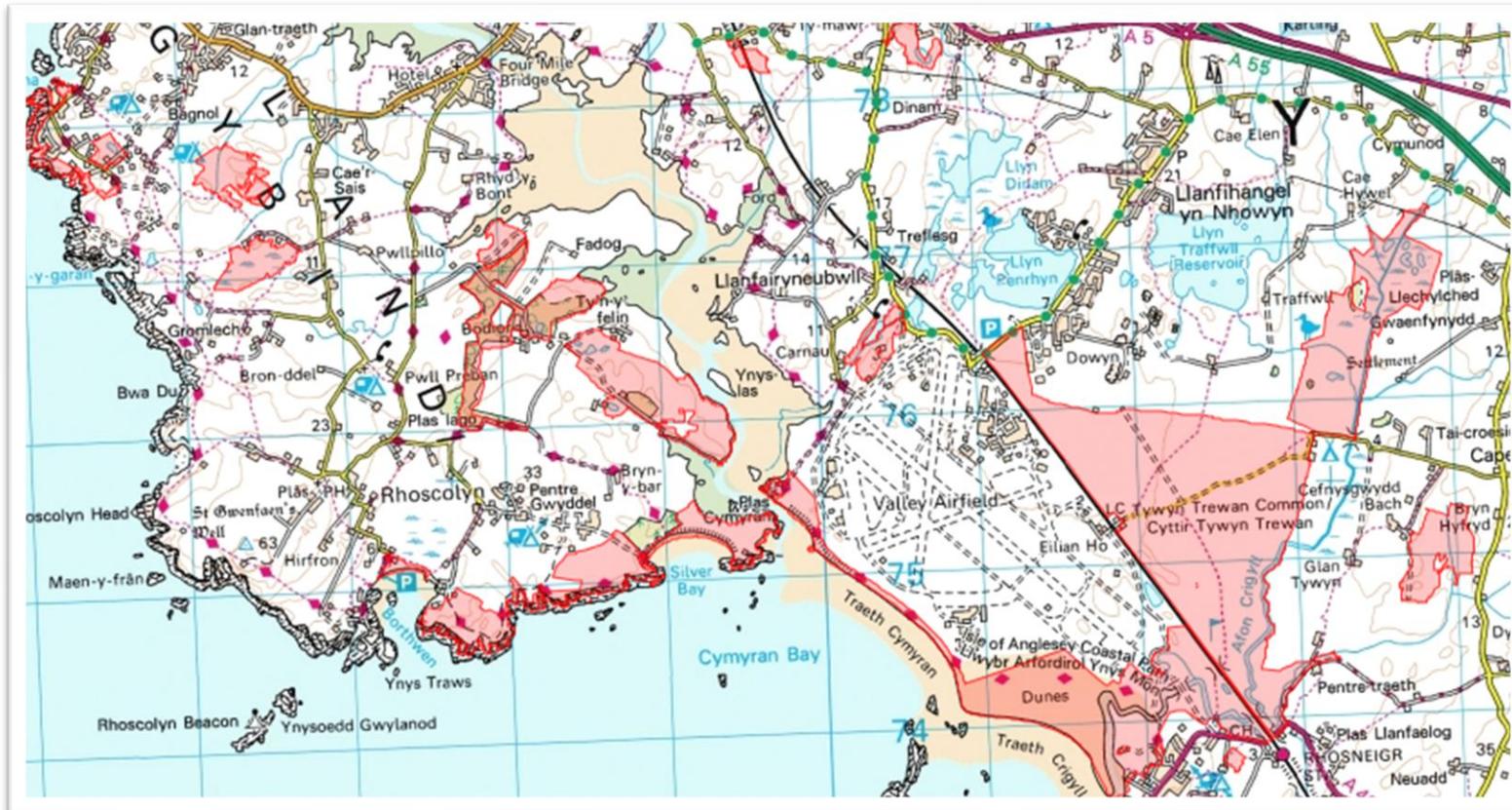
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Re-digitising Anglesey Wildlife Sites

Projects

- Data from CCW files (2006)
- Digitising COS bird records
- GCN Modelling in NE Wales
- WildWeb
- Re-digitising Flintshire WS
- Re-digitising Wrexham WS
- Harvest mouse in Wales
- Historic maps of Llyn Peninsula
- Bee habitat mapping
- Amphibian and Reptile Atlas
- Dee Invasive Species Atlas
- Snowdonia Invasive Species Atlas
- Clwyd Bird Recording Atlas
- Barn owl data mobilisation
- Anglesey Wildlife Site survey



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Rhydymwyn Bioblitz

Results

508 records

303 species*

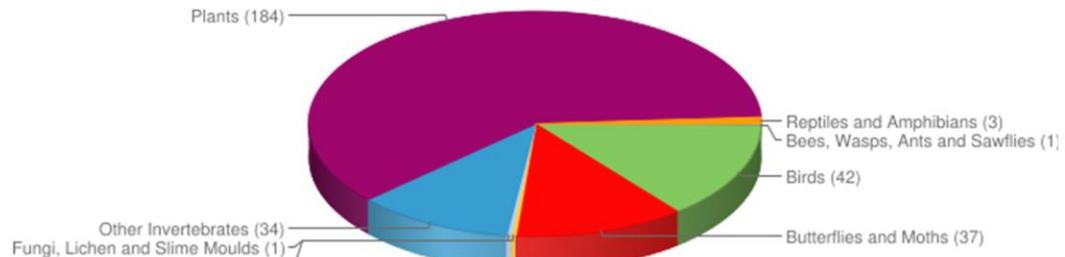
106 species **NEW!** to this location

12 species on the UKBAP list

21 species on the Anglesey LBAP

Species by Species Group

The species recorded fell within the following groups. The number of species is shown in brackets after the group name.



Recorders Day Cors Geirch



Land Snails ID

Sheildbugs ID



Grassland Fungi ID



Tree Fogging



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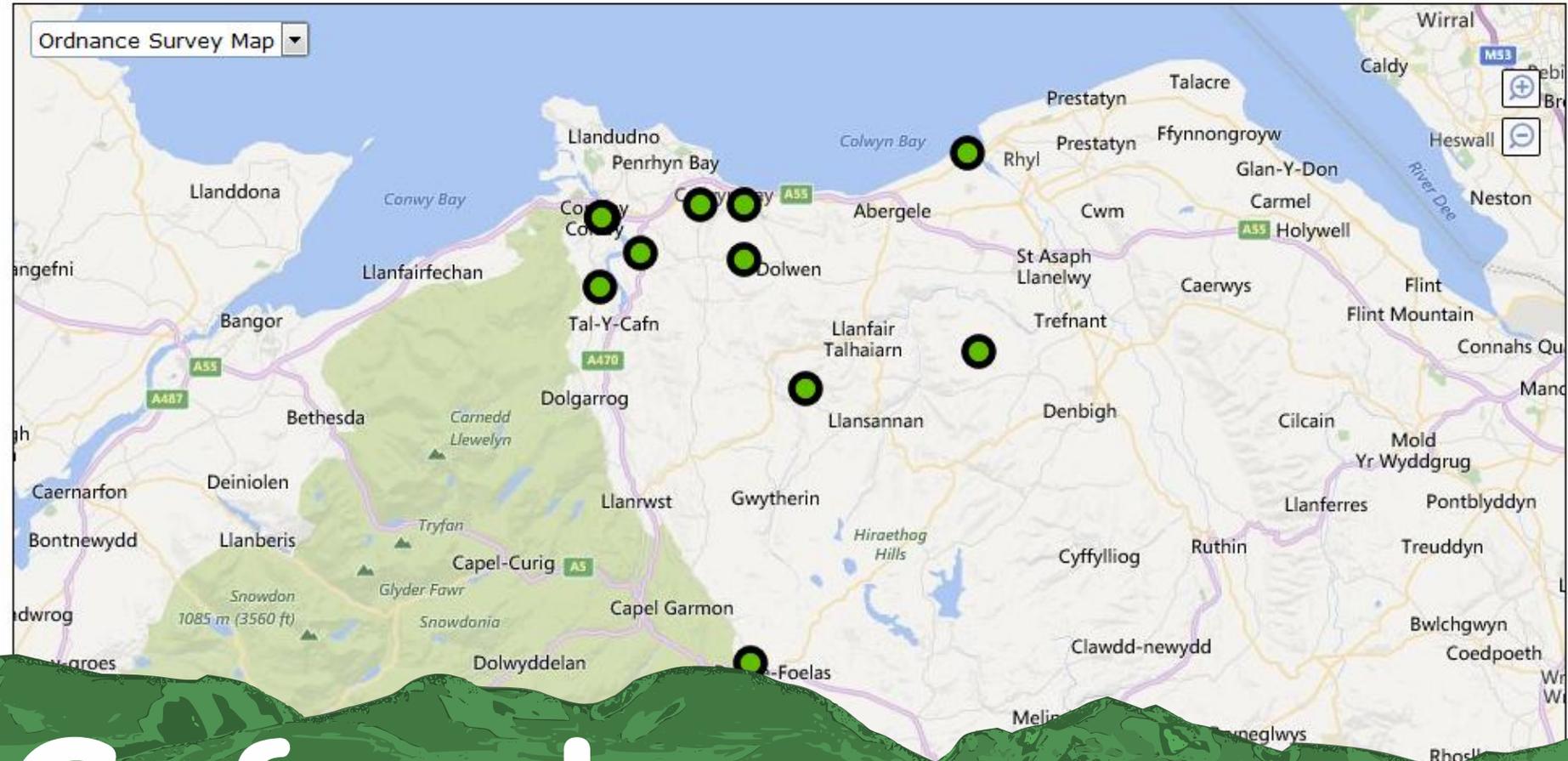
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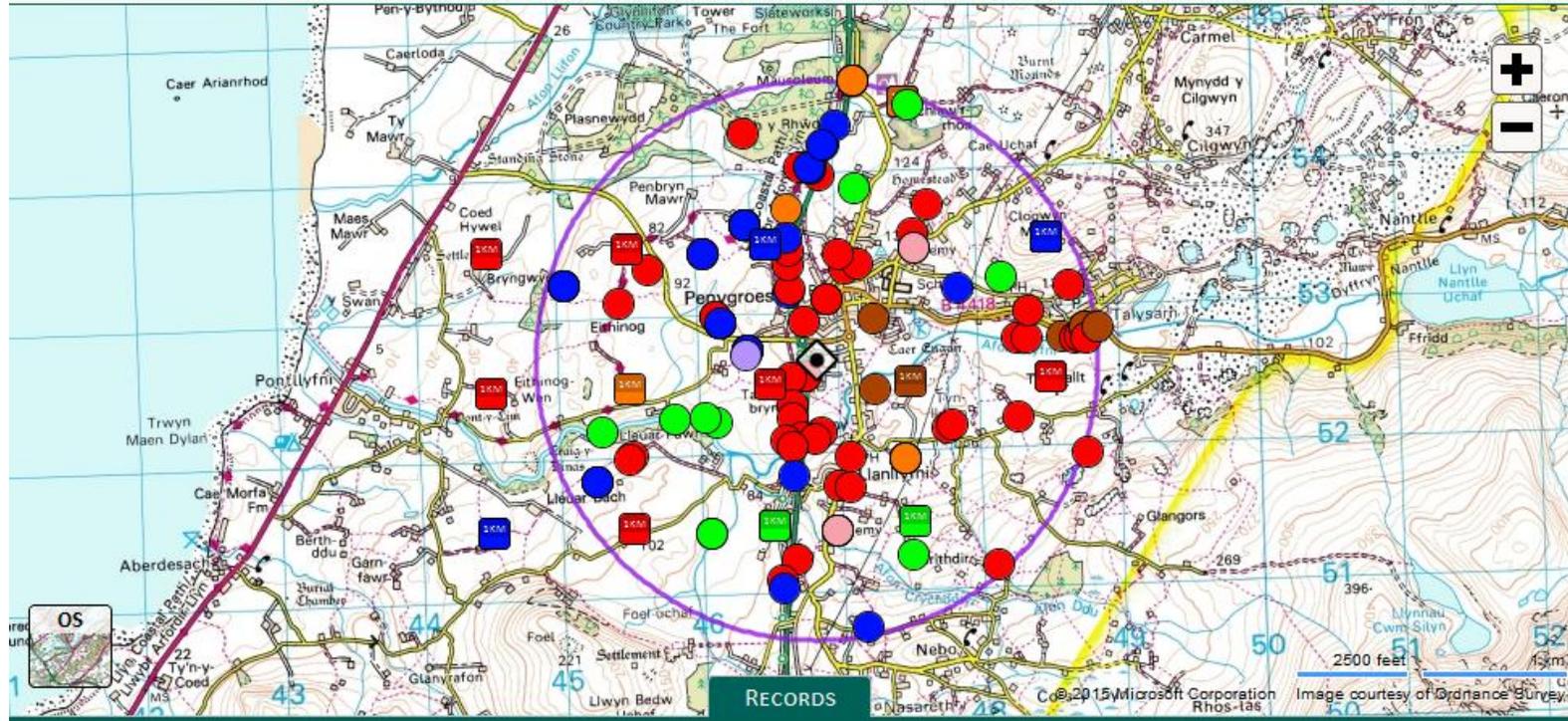
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Penygroes Industrial Estate (SH468526) Summary

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Showing 1 to 160 of 160 entries

Name	Grid Reference	Name	Date	Abundance	Comments
Alpine Sparrow	SH468526	Alpine Sparrow	2007	DO	



Viewing Mode Confidential Public

Key

- Search Location
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Species

Select All | Select None | Collapse Menu

- Birds
- Butterflies and Moths
- Fungi, Lichen and Slime Moulds
- Mammals
- Other Invertebrates
- Plants
- Reptiles and Amphibians

Display labels
 Display species by category
 Draw 1km – 100km records as squares

View Species List

Sites

- Wildlife Sites
- Special Areas of Conservation
- Sites of Special Scientific Interest
- Ancient Woodland Sites

View Sites List

View Habitats



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Circa 2,000,000 records



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Viewing HSI Information for Maes y Grug Farm: MG06 on 30/03/2016
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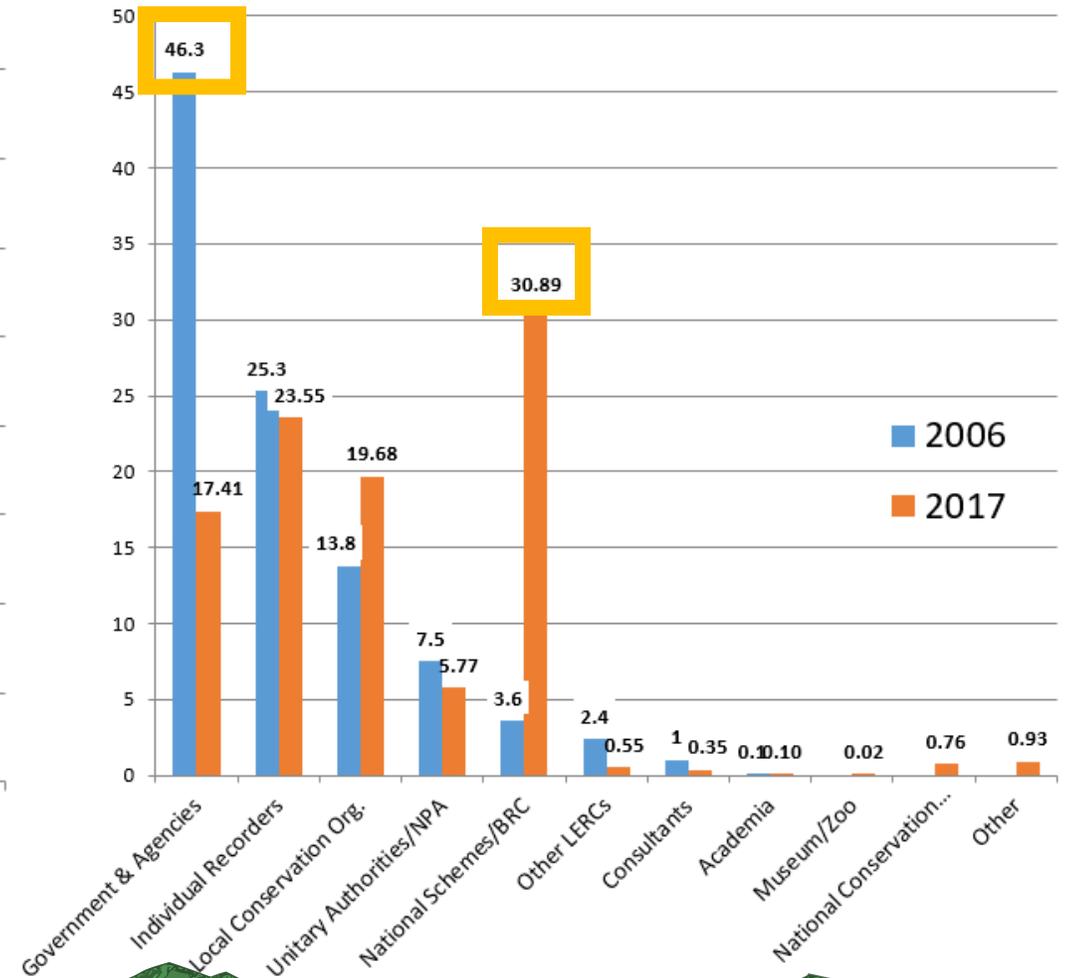
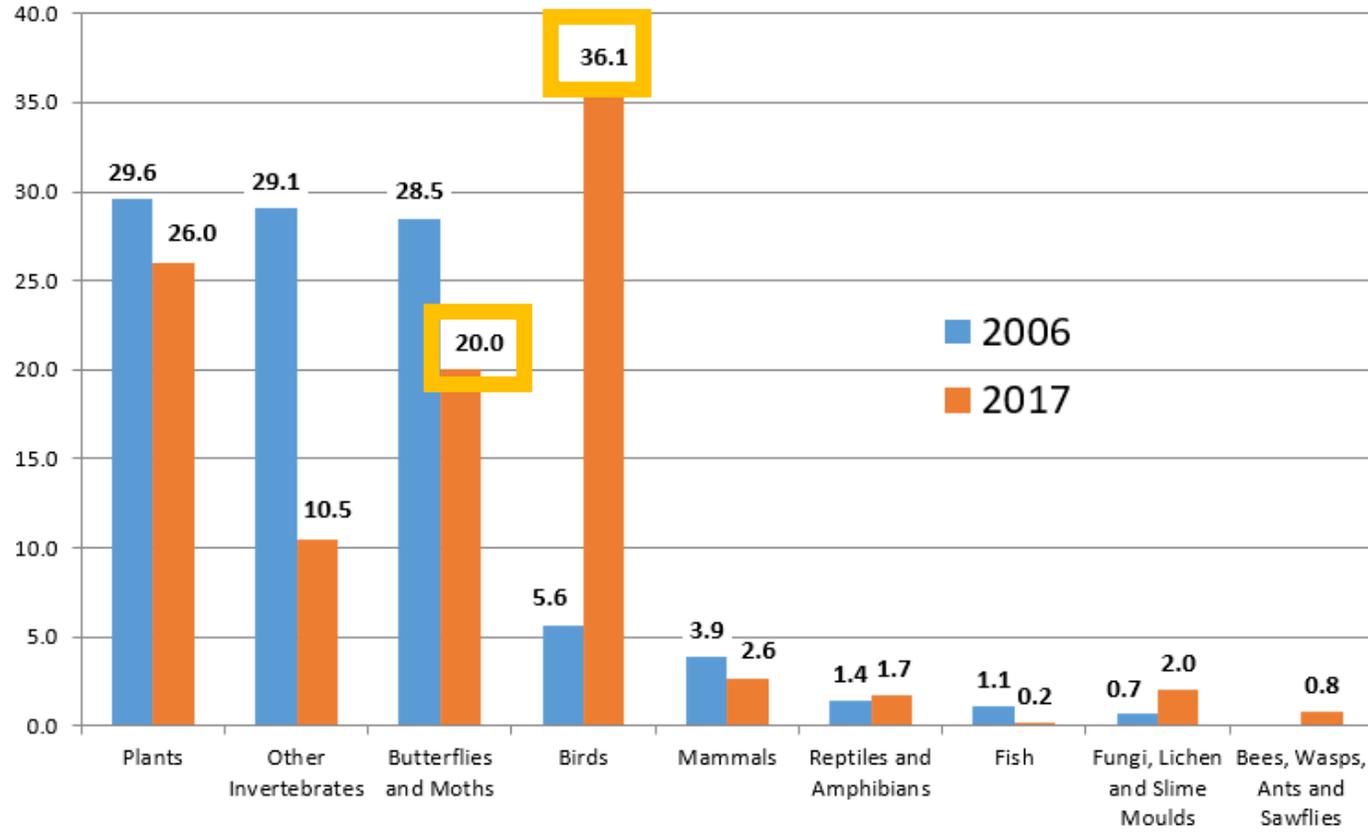
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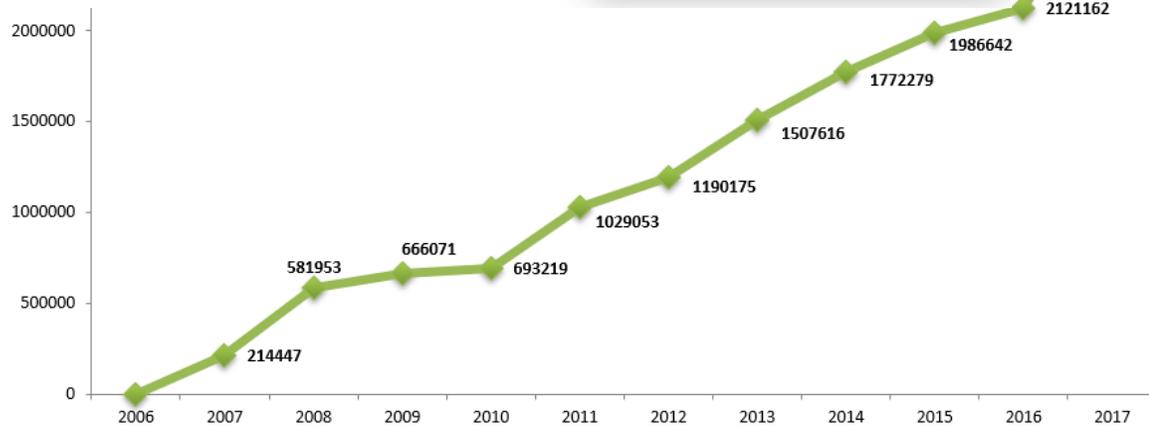
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Making Wildlife Data Count

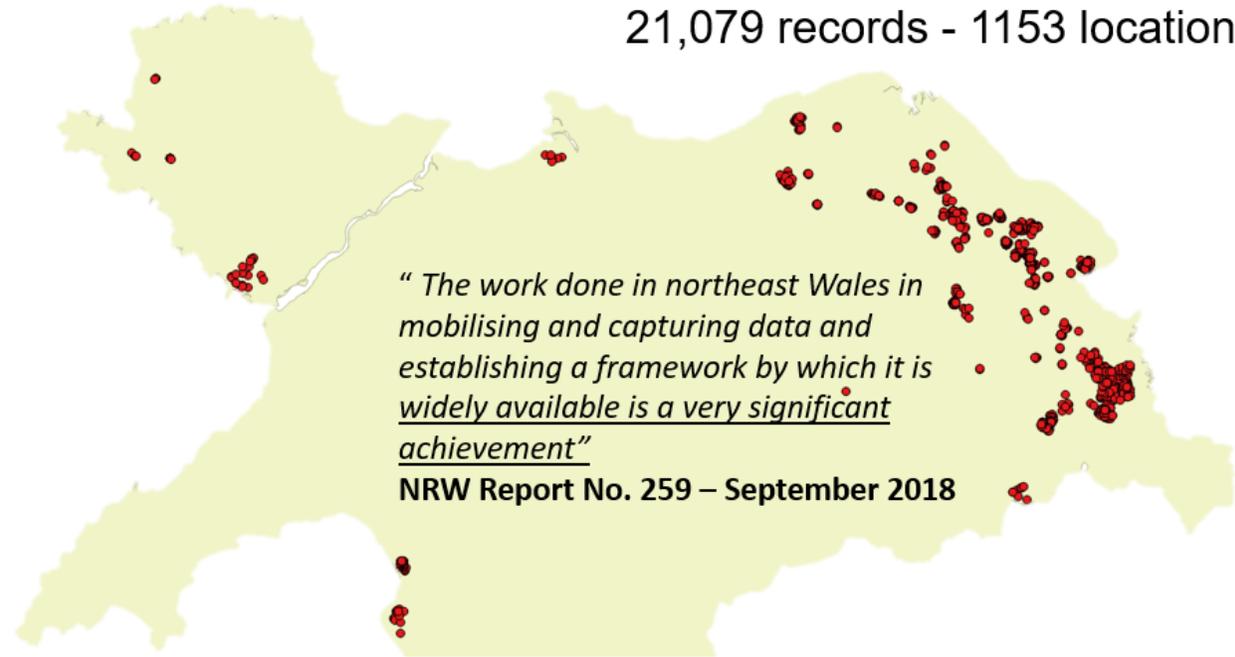


Cofnod has been making wildlife data count across North Wales since 2005. Our latest achievement has been to reach 3 million records on our species database. To celebrate this we'd like to introduce you to 3 recently recorded species and tell you their story and how the records found their way to us. There is a wealth of wildlife out there waiting for you to explore and discover, so why not be part of it and help us get to 4 million! You'll be adding to the region's most comprehensive wildlife database and helping conserve the fantastic natural world of North Wales.



GCN Monitoring Data

21,079 records - 1153 locations



"The work done in northeast Wales in mobilising and capturing data and establishing a framework by which it is widely available is a very significant achievement"

NRW Report No. 259 – September 2018



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64 grants awarded
~ £30,000



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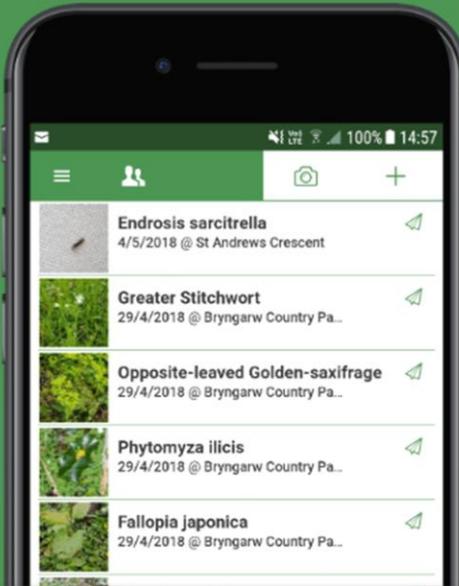
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LERC Wales App

Record any species on the go in Wales.



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LERC Wales' Biodiversity Information & Reporting Database



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The UK's first national network of Local Records Centres
Providing high quality biodiversity information
Supporting wildlife recorders & environmental professionals across Wales

Rhwydwaith genedlaethol gyntaf y DU o Ganolfannau Cofnodi Lleol
Yn darparu gwybodaeth bioamrywiaeth o safon uchel
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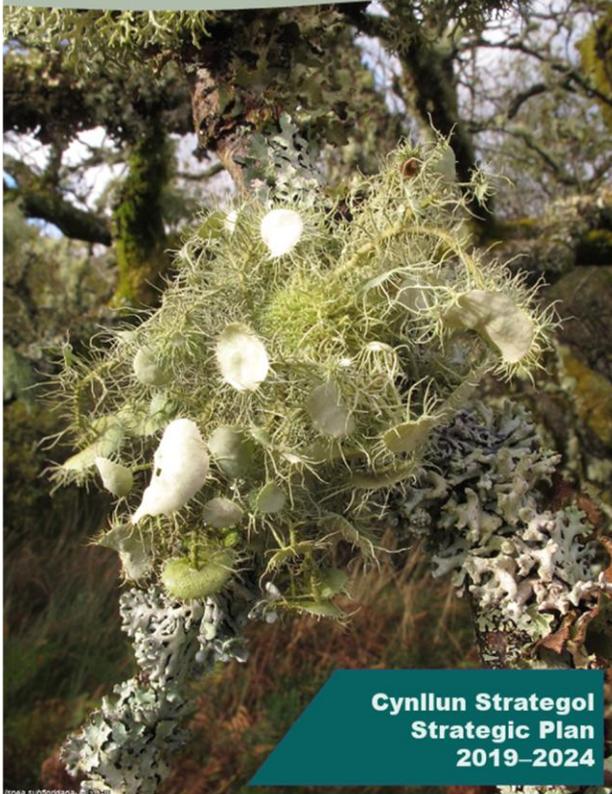
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**Cynllun Strategol
Strategic Plan
2019-2024**

“Cofnod’s vision is to facilitate the collation, secure storage and use of high quality wildlife data, whilst supporting and inspiring people to record wildlife”

**Blaenoriaeth Strategol 1
Strategic Priority 1**

Cefnogaeth

Byddwn yn parhau i gefnogi Cofnodwyr Bywyd Gwylt, gan roi cyfleoedd iddynt ehangu eu gweithgareddau. Byddwn yn gwella hygyrchedd data, yn enwedig hygyrchedd cyfresi data anodd eu cyrraedd, ac yn datblygu ffyrdd newydd arloesol o’u defnyddio. Gyda’ch help chi, ein targed yw bod â 5 miliwn o gofnodion!

Support

We will continue to support Wildlife Recorders, giving them opportunities to expand their activities. We will improve data accessibility, especially to hard to reach datasets, and develop innovative new ways of using data. With your help our target is to hold 5 million records!



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Cofnod Events 2020

Courses

- 7 February: Bryophyte microscopy (Liverpool)
- 21 March: Celtic Rainforest Bryophytes (Trawsfynydd)
- 15 April: Intertidal Foraminifera (Bangor)
- 7 October: Fungi Foray (Wepre Park)
- TBC: Bat detector sound analysis workshop (Bangor)

Recorders Days

- 10 June 2020: Point of Ayr – shore
- 1 July 2020: Rhiwlas Farm, Bala

Bioblitzes

- 30 May: Wrexham Industrial Estate
- 31 May: Plas Tan y Bwlch
- 27 June: Cyttir Maer, Llandegfan
- 26 July: Bala

Other Events

- 25 April: All Wales Recorders Symposium (Machynlleth)
- 31 October: Cofnod Conference (Llandudno)

Partners: Sir y Fflint Flintshire, Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru Natural Resources Wales, GARDY FOTANUS TREBORTH BOTANIC GARDEN, World Museum, Tanygwaith Trunk, Biosymrywiad Cymru Biodiversity Partnership

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species records and counting

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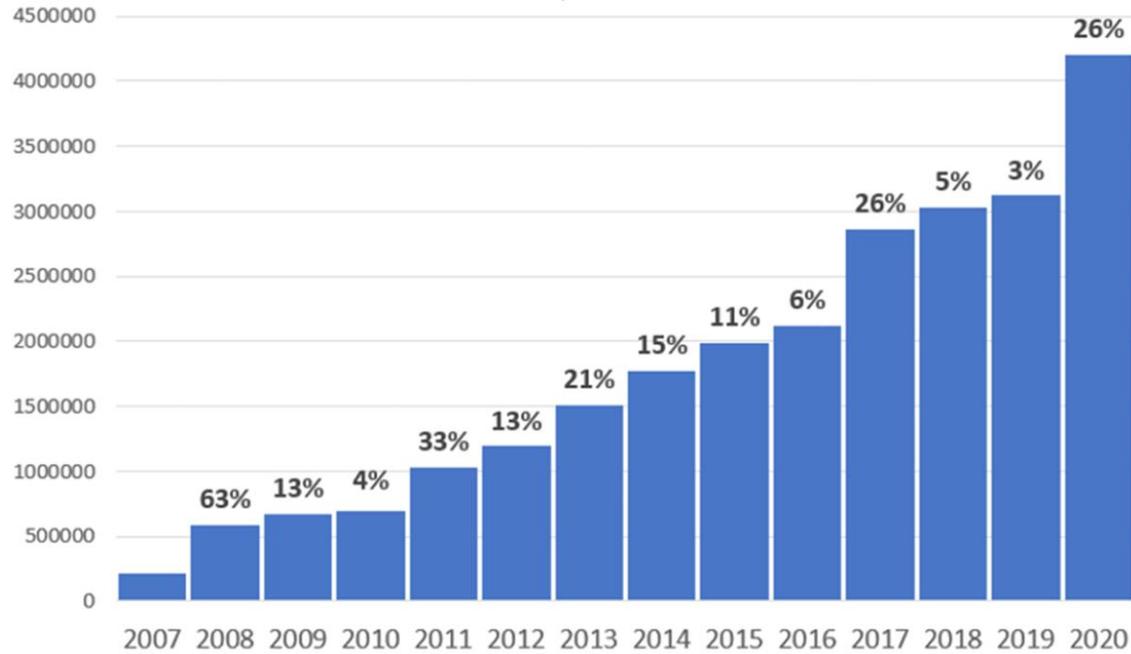


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species records and counting

October 2020

905,711



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Certificate of Standard Level Accreditation



Has demonstrated it meets the standard level criteria of LERC accreditation on

16th March 2021



Deb Muscat

Deb Muscat, Chair, ALERC Directors



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Blaenoriaeth Strategol 3
Strategic Priority 3

Safonau

Byddwn yn bodloni'r gyfres o safonau sy'n ofynnol i gyflawni Achrediad y Gymdeithas o Ganolfannau Cofnodion Amgylcheddol Lleol (ALERC). Bydd y safonau hyn yn cael eu cynnal a'u datblygu er mwyn parhau i ddarparu gwasanaeth o ansawdd uchel ar gyfer cleientiaid a rhanddeiliaid.

Standards

We will meet the set of standards required to achieve Association of Local Environmental Records Centres (ALERC) Accreditation. These standards will be maintained and developed to continue to provide a high quality service for clients and stakeholders.



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Launched
5/11/21



Welcome to the
Online Recording System
for Cofnod



Systemau

Byddwn yn ehangu Orca, ein system Gweinyddu'r Ganolfan Cofnodion Ar-lein, gan gynyddu ein gallu i gael mynediad at ddata a'u rheoli a'u rhannu. Byddwn hefyd yn parhau i ddatblygu a chefnogi'r defnydd o Orca gan bob Canolfannau Cofnodion Amgylchedd Lleol arall ledled data'r DU.

Systems

We will roll out Orca, our new Online Records Centre Administration system, increasing our ability to access, manage and share data. We will also continue to develop and support the use of Orca by other Local Environmental Records Centres across the UK.

**Blaenoriaeth Strategol 2
Strategic Priority 2**



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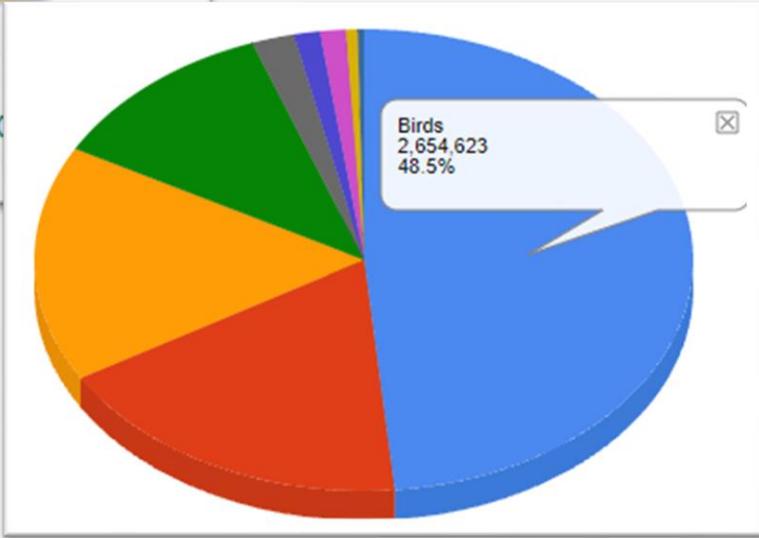
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5,509,610

species records and counting

Most Recent Datasets:

- BirdTrack records (2020 records from Meirionnydd) **NEW!**
- Records collected as Denbighshire County Wildflower Verges Pro (Records from 2021)



**Blaenoriaeth Strategol 1
Strategic Priority 1**

Cefnogaeth

Byddwn yn parhau i gefnogi Cofnodwyr Bywyd Gwylt, gan roi cyfleoedd iddynt ehangu eu gweithgareddau. Byddwn yn gwella hygyrchedd data, yn enwedig hygyrchedd cyfresi data anodd eu cyrraedd, ac yn datblygu ffyrdd newydd arloesol o'u defnyddio. Gyda'ch help chi, ein targed yw bod â 5 miliwn o gofnodion!

Support

We will continue to support Wildlife Recorders, giving them opportunities to expand their activities. We will improve data accessibility, especially to hard to reach datasets, and develop innovative new ways of using data. With your help our target is to hold 5 million records!



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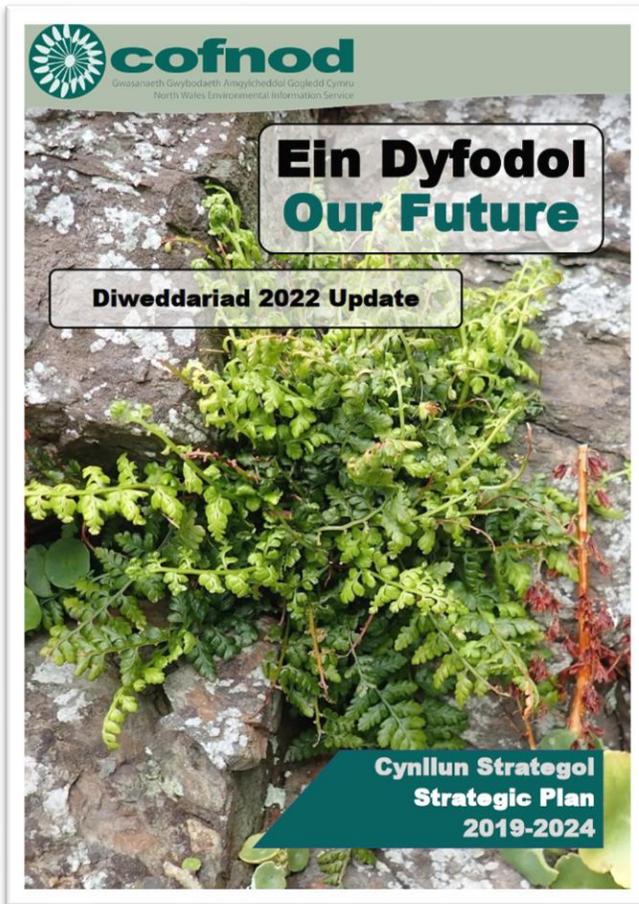
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TARGEDAU NEWYDD NEW TARGETS

- Cadw 8 miliwn o gofnodion.
- Nodi llefydd, cynefinoedd a grwpiau tacsonomaidd sydd wedi'u tangofnodi ar.
- Datblygu adnoddau adrodd ac adorth gwell.
- Gwellu'r cyfathrebu gyda hofnodwyr a'r cyhoedd.
- To hold 8 million records.
- Identify under-recorded places, habitats and taxonomic groups for targeted recording.
- Develop improved reporting and feedback tools.
- To improve communication with recorders and the public.

**Cadw 8 miliwrn o gornodion
To hold 8 million Records**



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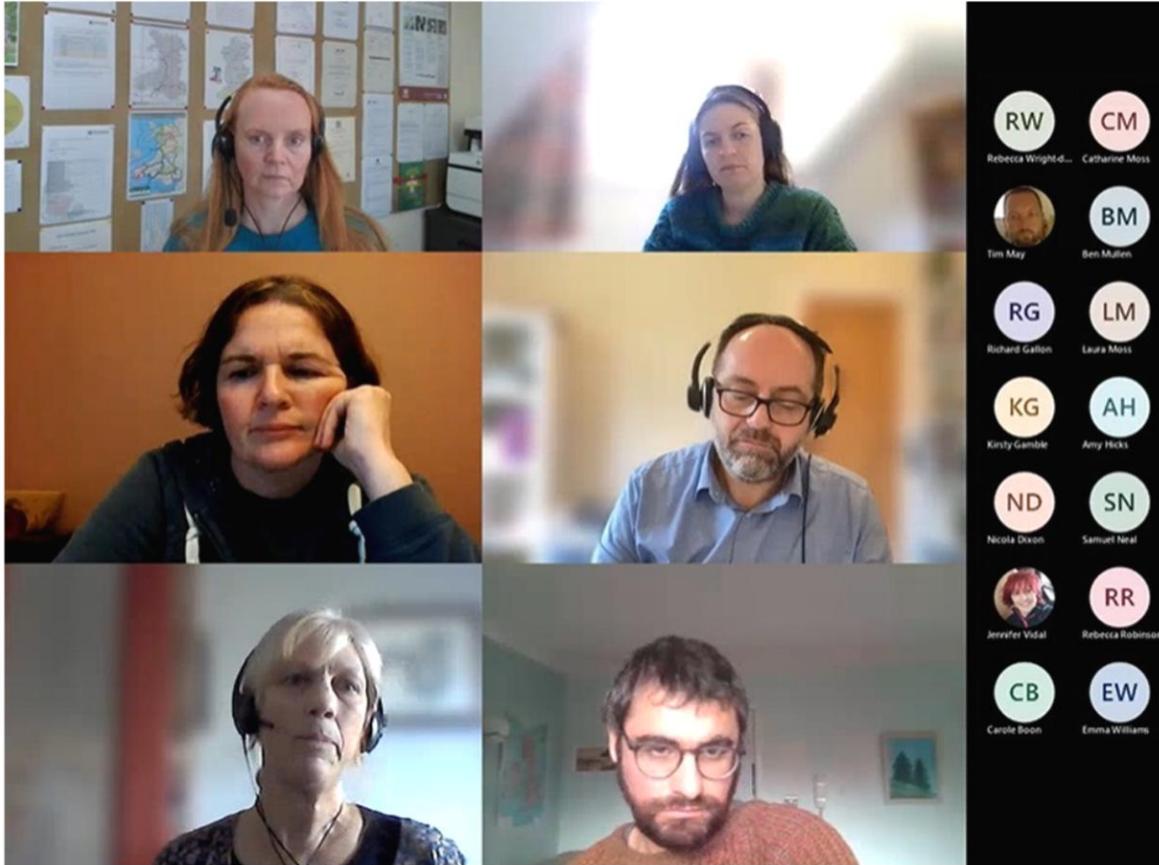
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Wales Working Groups

- Managers
- Data Management
- Sites, habitats & designations
- Communications
- IT/Systems



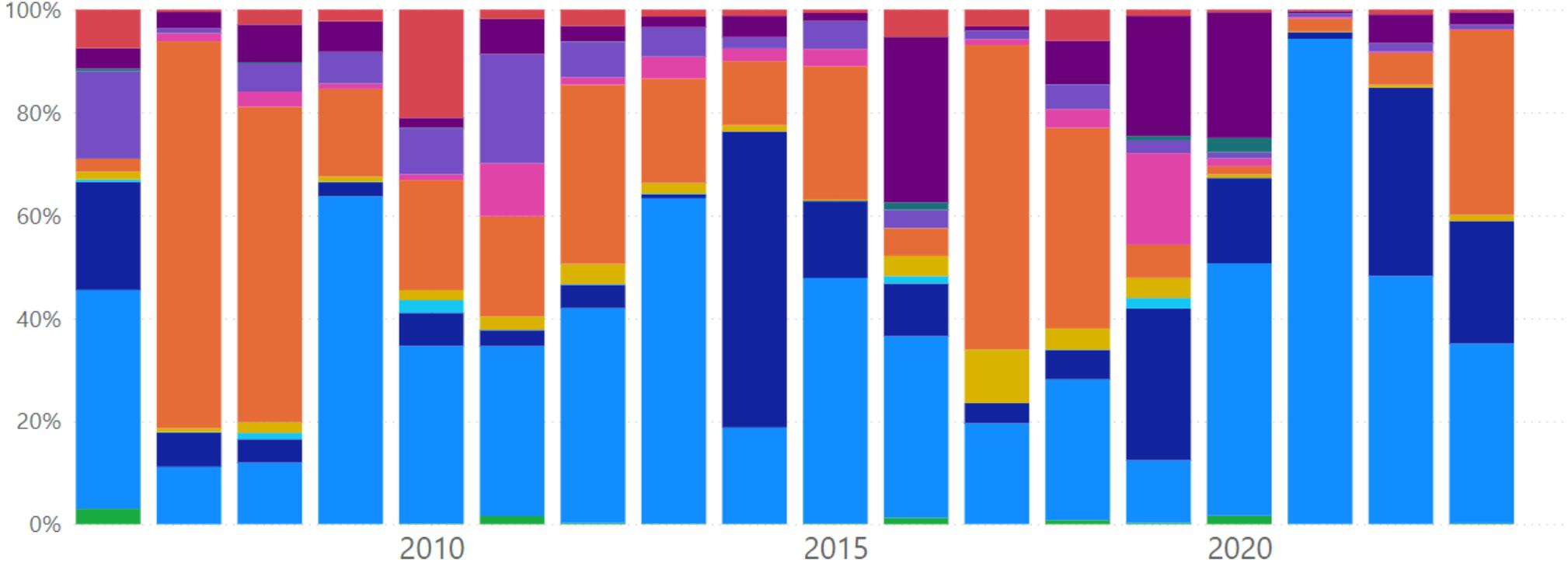
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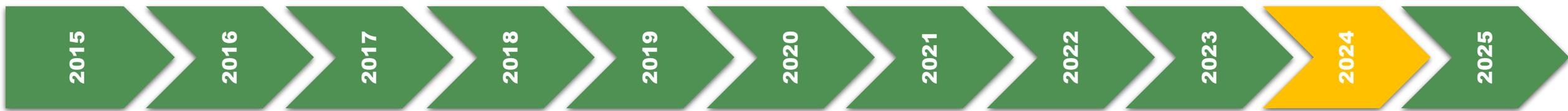
Total Records
6,526,855

● Bees, Wasps, Ants & ...
 ● Birds
 ● Butterflies & Moths
 ● Fish
 ● Fungi, Lichens & ...
 ● Higher Plants
 ● Lower Plants
 ● Mammals
 ● Other
 ● Other Invertebrates
 ● Reptiles & A...



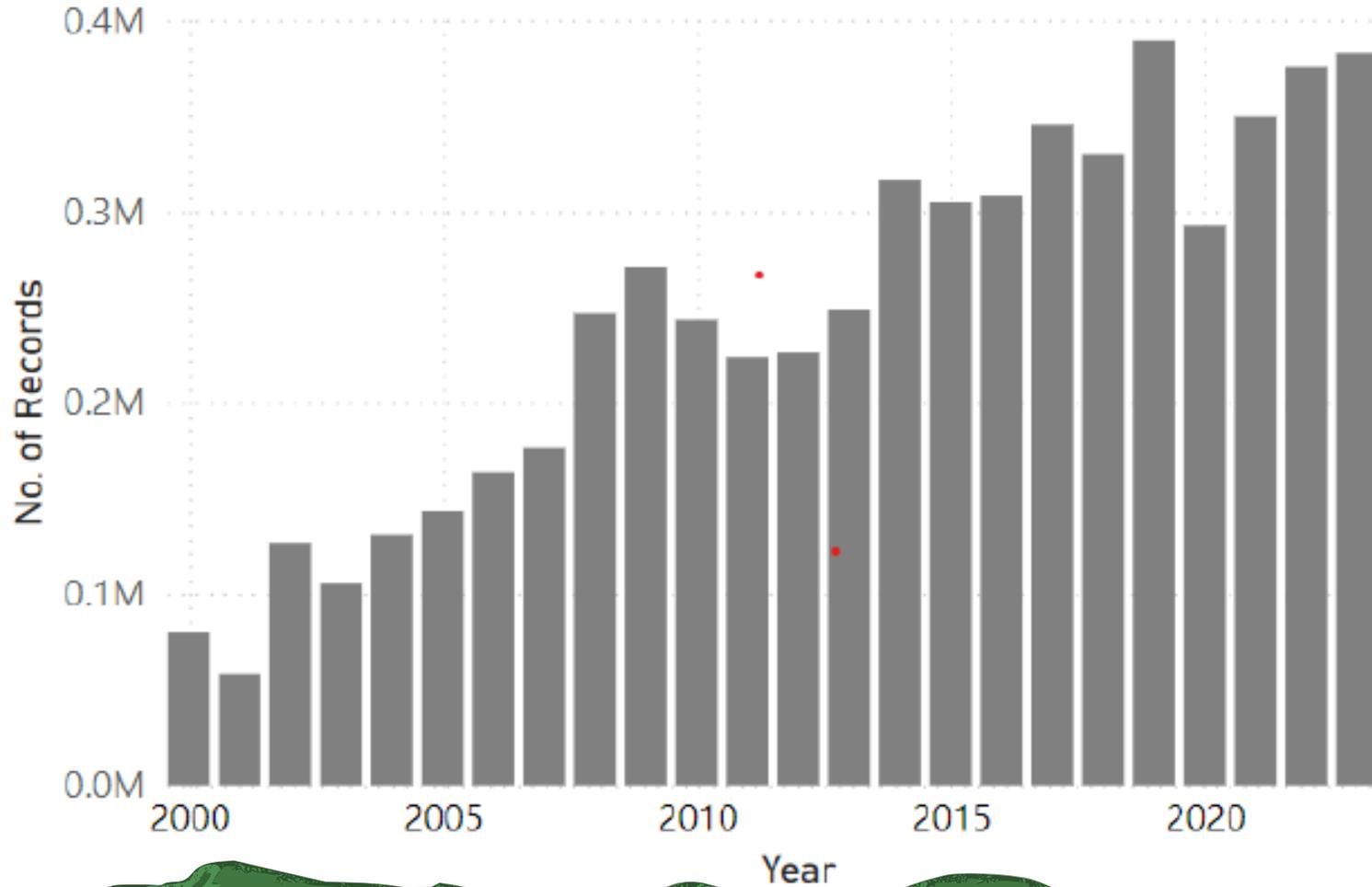
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Cofnod Database

7,504,140



Species Group	% of Records	No. of Records
Birds	51.08%	3833130
Higher Plants	16.16%	1212390
Butterflies & Moths	15.20%	1140613
Other Invertebrates	8.87%	665318
Lower Plants	2.75%	206631
Mammals	1.96%	147451
Fungi, Lichens & Algae	1.47%	110048
Reptiles & Amphibians	1.12%	83744
Other	0.68%	50688
Bees, Wasps, Ants & Sawflies	0.51%	38023
Fish	0.21%	15830
Unknown	0.00%	274
Total	100.00%	7504140



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Welcome to Orca for Cofnod



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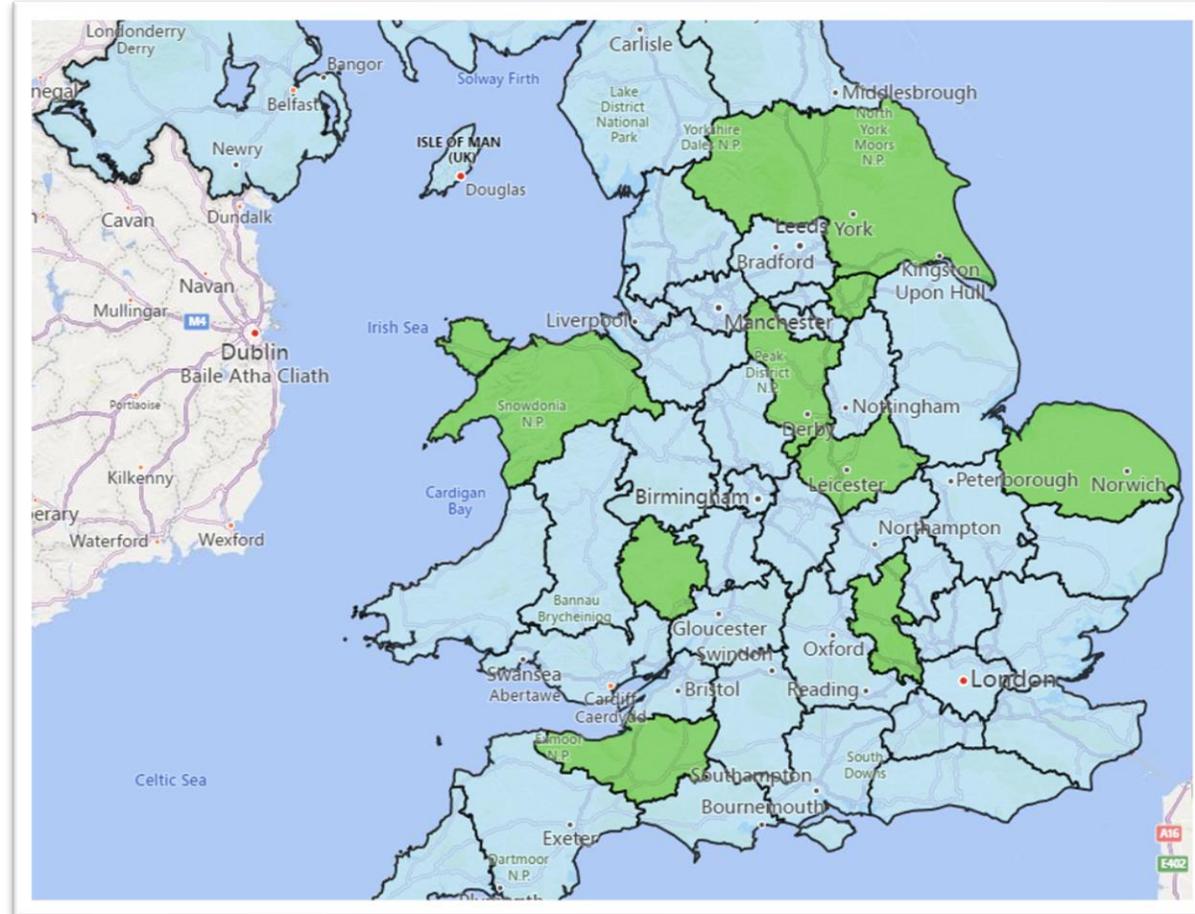
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LERC Online

LERC Online is a trading name of Cofnod Ltd.

BMERC	Buckinghamshire & Milton Keynes Environmental Records Centre
Cofnod	Cofnod - North Wales Environmental Information Service
DBRC	Derbyshire Biological Records Centre
DLRC	Doncaster Local Records Centre
HBRC	Herefordshire Biological Records Centre
LRERC	Leicestershire and Rutland Environmental Records Centre
NBIS	Norfolk Biodiversity Information Service
NEYEDC	North & East Yorkshire Ecological Data Centre
SERC	Somerset Environmental Records Centre



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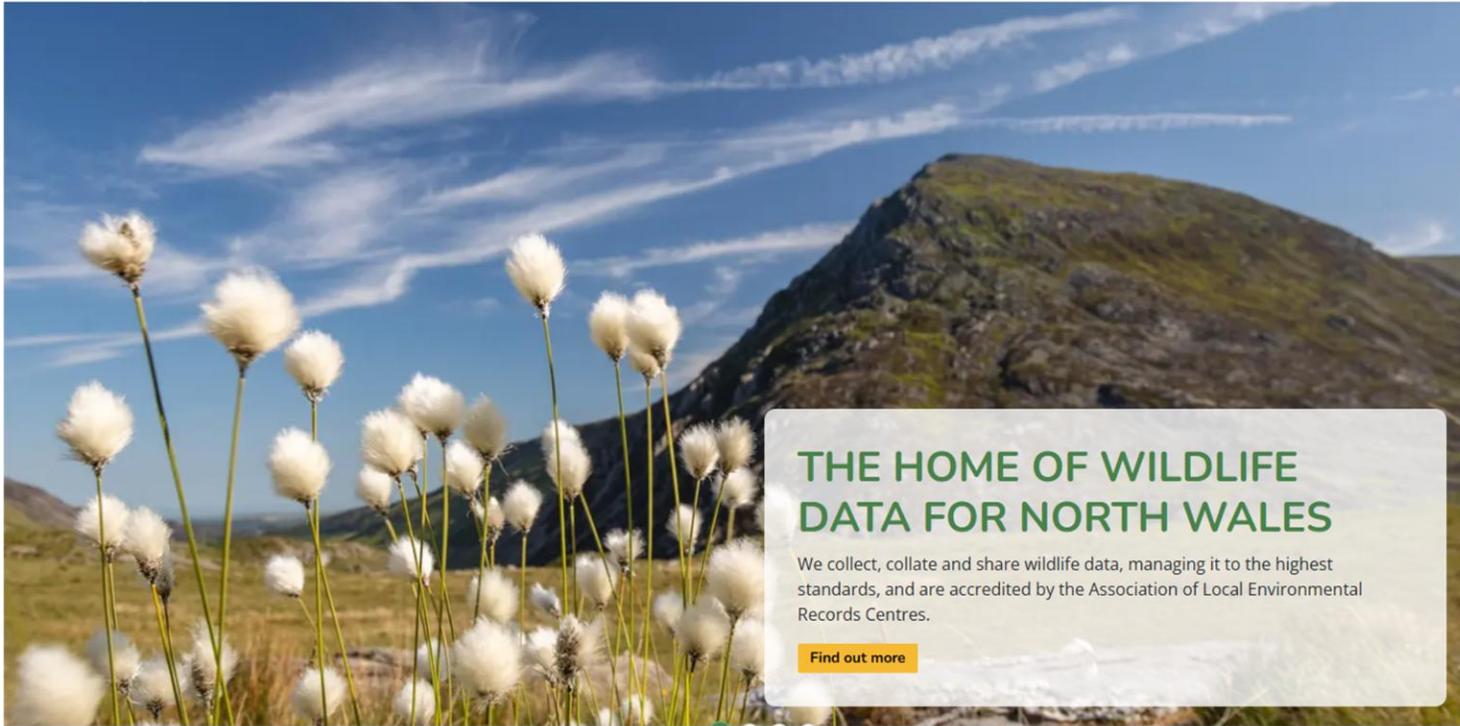
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Explore Recording Systems Record Wildlife Request Data

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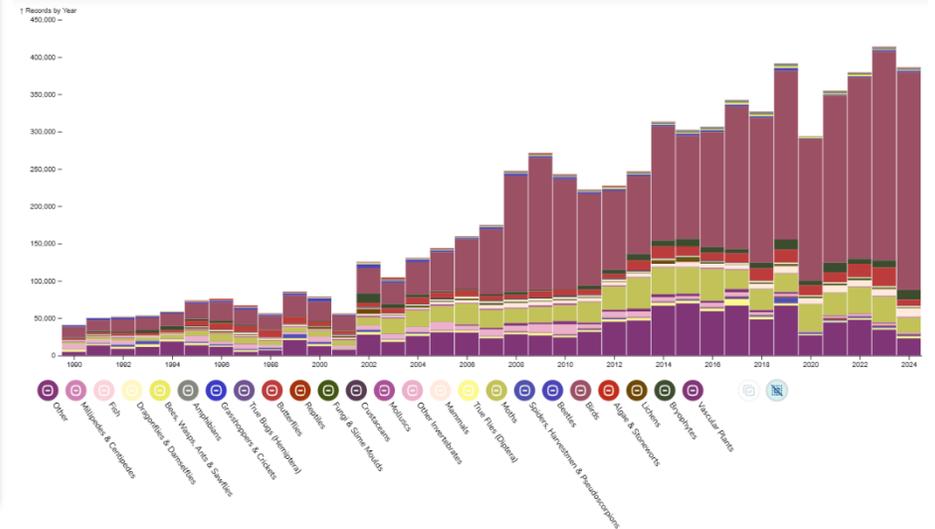
The data we hold



Total record count 7,890,574



Records entered ORS 500,000 +



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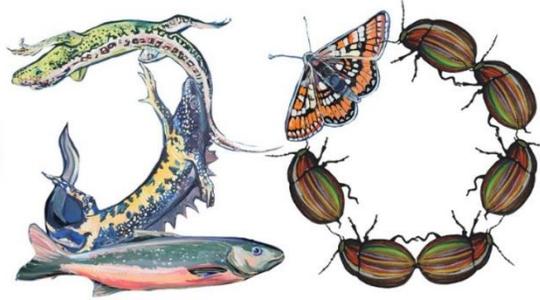
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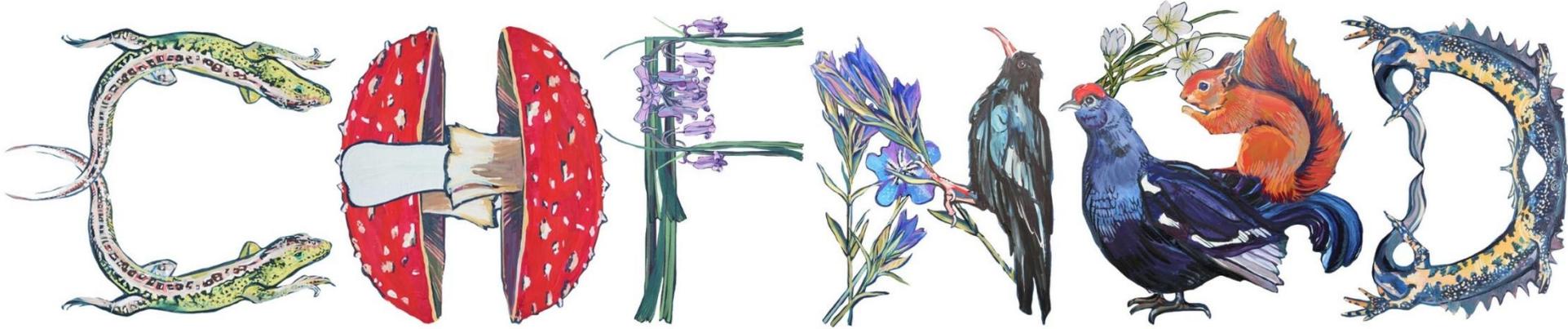
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Diolch yn fawr
Thank you

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Diolch pawb
Thank you everyone



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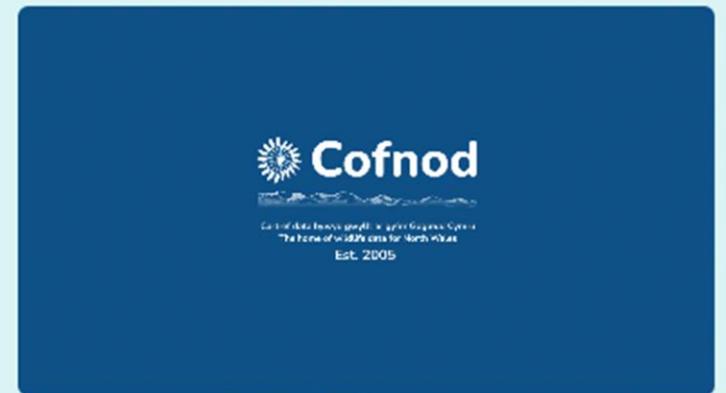
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And finally, after 20 years.....



Job Vacancy

We need you!

After 20 years working for Cofnod, our current Manager Roy Tapping will leave us on 31st March 2026. We are cu...

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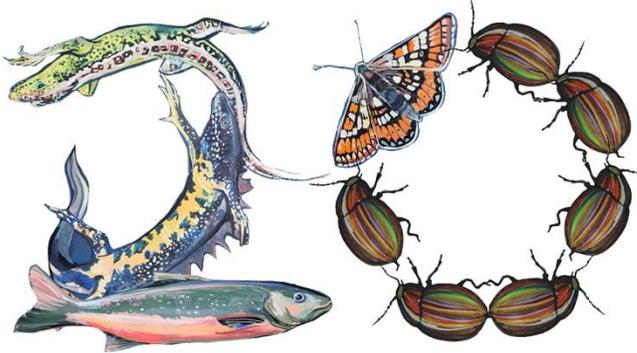


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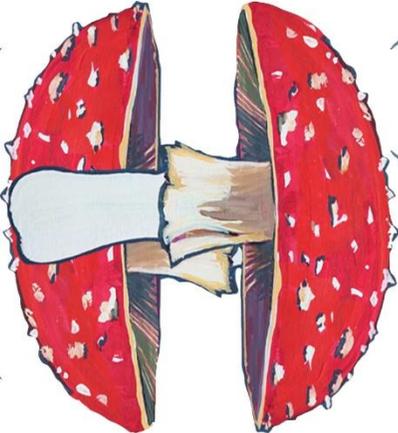
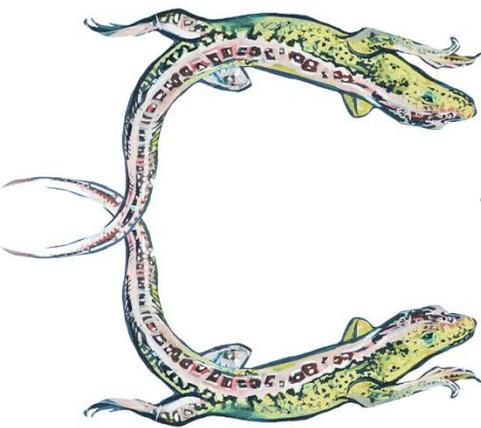
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